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2. Request for Declassification Action
(USIB-D-81.1/1, 10 December 1974)

Mr. Colby said this subject was related to the previous item in that it required a review for declassification which had been submitted by Mr. Morton Halperin. This case, however, had been reviewed under the pre-amendment criteria of the Freedom of Information Act. General Graham reported his intention, based on the subject DCI memorandum and its attachment, to provide Mr. Halperin with the same access to information as had been provided to Mr. Albert Wohlstetter.

3. Watch Report No. 1269

Following consideration of an additional paragraph on Iraq and Iran, the Watch Report was approved as amended.

4. FY 75 Key Intelligence Questions
Strategy Reports

- (a. USIB-D-22.1/29, 9 December 1974,
limited distribution through restricted
channels;
- b. USIB-D-22.1/30, 18 December 1974,
Memorandum for USIB Principals,
distributed through special channels)

Mr. Colby introduced this subject saying that he was not seeking USIB approval of the subject KIQs Strategy Reports, but that he did wish to have a preliminary discussion. Time would be allowed for additional review at a later date. He noted that the Strategies had been prepared in close consultation between the NIOs and the staffs of the USIB Principals. Addressing a summary matrix which had been previously circulated (reference b.), Mr. Colby noted that this presentation afforded an opportunity to examine which agency/program had accepted collection and production responsibilities for each KIQ. Mr. Colby asked each Program Manager to examine and review the commitments implied by the strategies. The matrix presentation also facilitated an examination across the board to assist in determining if we are under or over committed for any particular KIQ and if the commitments are appropriate. He hoped in some cases some commitments would be eliminated because of coverage by another program. He also said that next summer he hoped to review the results of the various actions the USIB agencies had agreed to undertake to get and produce the information needed, as will be indicated on the matrix when finally endorsed by the USIB.

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Mr. Morell observed that the strategies did not take into account certain other possibilities for collection, e.g., certain commissions dealing with foreign governments. Mr. Colby agreed that there was merit in seeking other sources for information and suggested that Treasury could be added to some of the collection strategies and some of the KIQs.

General Graham, noting that the KIQs represented the most important questions before the community, said they should be examined in greater detail by the USIB Principals. One approach would be to address the KIQs sequentially in sets grouped by subjects or by categories.

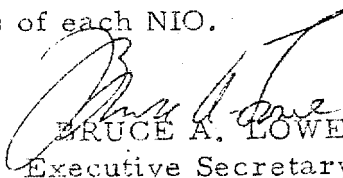
Mr. Colby agreed that the USIB could address groups of KIQs in some detail if the Principals were willing to devote an hour or so of discussion at a series of USIB meetings.

The State Representative, noting Mr. Colby's previous comments on this matter, expressed concern that the KIQ process was becoming too burdensome. Mr. Colby said that Mr. Packman's point was well taken, but pointed out the very broad responsibilities of the U.S. in the world today and that the KIQs reflect these world-wide responsibilities. Viewed in this context, the time involved did not appear excessive.

Notwithstanding the consultation within agencies during the development stages of the KIQs, General Graham stressed the importance of review by the USIB Principals to assist the Program Managers. General Graham also suggested that the primary sources of collection be identified for each KIQ.

General Allen expressed concern that, to date, the KIQs were not driving resource decisions. He recognized other mechanisms exist and suggested that the overall question of requirements which affect resource allocations should be reviewed.

Following considerable additional discussion, the Board agreed to address the subject collection strategies in a series of future meetings in groupings related to the responsibilities of each NIO.


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Executive Secretary, USIB

Adjournment: 1100 hours

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